

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

September 20, 1968

Mr. Ralph Goldstone  
581 Boylston St.  
Boston, Mass. 02116

Dear Ralph:

It really was refreshing to talk with you when I was in Boston. I was very distraught from business arguments. It was a real pleasure to have seen what a fine library you have and what interesting items you handle along with your numismatic business.

Here is the situation on the items we talked about.

Valentine's pamphlet on fractional currency I do not have in the Boyd printing but do have in the second printing by Mehl. Therefore, send it to me.

You had the Coin Book by Homans with an 1875 date on the title and mine is 1872. Since I collect every edition, I would like you to send that to me to see if there is any difference.

I do not have the pamphlet by Lee of California Souvenir Gold.

I would like very much for you to send me your Parmelee and I can have mine rebound and sent to you. I like to have these in original bindings and maybe you would do me that favor.

I find that I have two Allender scales but do not have the later one which lacks the \$3 piece. You have a nice one and I would like you to price it and send it.

As to your other Allender scales, I can have a machinist make brass weights for them, if you want me to do it, as that would make them much more saleable. If you send me the scales then I could ascertain the proper counterbalance and develop that project.

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Mr. Ralph Goldstone

September 20, 1968


I am enclosing a check for \$25.00 for the test scale which I took with me. There were two additional scales which were on your window sill and I wondered whether these were for American coins. If so I would be interested.

I decided that the Italian scale was out of my field and although it was beautiful I should not expand in that direction.

As I told you when I was in Boston, I will pay you in money for the things I buy or will be glad to send you things in exchange - like Colonial currency or coins. I fully realize you are in business to make a living and expect you to have a reasonable benefit in any exchanges.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,



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September 20, 1968

Mr. Ralph Goldstone  
581 Boylston St.  
Boston, Mass. 02116

Dear Ralph:

In accordance with our discussion, I did considerable checking on the Heath editions at ANS and I am shocked to tell you that they only have three of the small variety and two of the large variety. They also have a publication by Heath describing the United States Treasury Notes and other United States issues. The result, therefore, is that material in other libraries must be carefully checked. Probably the Boston Public Library has a great many editions.

Would you be nice enough to list the editions which you have and indicate which ones are for sale.

I find that I have eight of the small variety and two of the large variety.

I believe this will be a most interesting project and have only begun making notes as to the peculiarities.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

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ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

October 22, 1968

Mr. Ralph Goldstone  
581 Boylston Street  
Boston, Mass. 02116

Dear Ralph:

When I did not hear from you I realized that your diverticulitis must have caused you additional trouble and called your office several times and found that you did not answer.

I will buy the Lee on California Fractional Gold for \$25.00, as we agreed.

I am very anxious to find out what Heath Detectors you have for sale as I have some on approval which are not in nice enough condition and I am trying to get all the varieties.

Would you be nice enough to give us your unlisted number at home as I can call you there after you are at home. Our company has an unlimited long distance available to me after hours and that makes talking very easy.

I have a lovely group of Virginia Colonial notes which I have been asked to sell for others and you will recall I mentioned it to you. I will ship it to you as soon as you are ready.

If you are able, would you please let me know when I can talk to you.

Sincerely yours,

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ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

November 19, 1968

Mr. Ralph Goldstone  
581 Boylston Street  
Boston, Mass. 02116

Dear Ralph:

This will confirm the fact that on November 7, 1968 there was turned over to you a large group of Virginia Colonial paper money as scheduled on two pages and on which you acknowledged receipt. The total catalogue value is \$2781.00.

It was suggested that if you would take all of them you could be allowed a 50% discount on the items. If you take a substantial part of them, then the thought was that 60% of the list should be paid.

This, as you perceived, is a lovely group of items and we would not be surprised if you kept for stock those which you do not sell.

As you indicated, certain people in Virginia are not very good customers for this type of material as they are accustomed to picking it up for a nominal value. However, many other people, I believe, will appreciate it and readily purchase it.

Let us know what plans you have with respect to the above material and we will be glad to cooperate.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC  
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March 7, 1969

Mr. Ralph Goldstone  
581 Boylston St.  
Boston, Mass. 02116

Can you give me a report  
on the Virginia Colonial paper  
money.

ERIC P. NEWMAN

*From the desk of*  
ERIC P. NEWMAN

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

April 7, 1969

Mr. Ralph Goldstone  
581 Boylston  
Boston, Mass. 02116

Dear Mr. Goldstone:

We would be very much interested in any information you could give us on the Parsons \$20 gold bar which you mentioned was offered to you. You stated that it was gold.

Would you be nice enough to tell us who offered it to you and if you can get a picture of it that would be helpful to our research.

Naturally, we would be interested in any other details about the bar such as its weight and provenance.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

April 11, 1969

Mr. Ralph Goldstone  
581 Boylston St.  
Boston, Mass. 02116

Dear Ralph:

I did not want to bid against you in the Wismer Sale and, as we discussed, I suggest that we pool our bidding on Lots 1621 and 1625, both of which I am interested in. It would be kind of pointless to bid against one another so if you can buy both of them, we can each take one and be happy. You can bid on Lot 1627 without my interference.

If, by chance, you are not going to the auction, please advise me immediately so that I can submit these bids in another fashion.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

April 14, 1969

Mr. Ralph Goldstone  
581 Boylston St.  
Boston, Mass. 02116

Dear Ralph:

I have had the opportunity of examining a Massachusetts bank proof note similar to the type being offered in the coming sale. I have also checked the picture on page 154 of my book on Early American Paper Money.

I have reached the conclusion that it is entirely possible that the so-called proofs are reprints from the old plates. The paper is absolutely white and unaged on the one I have seen. The punched holes next to the signature of the cashier and the president are reasonably modern and are not eighteenth century. Would you, therefore, before bidding on the sheets of these notes, examine them for yourself, to determine whether they are reprints in your opinion. The 1784 issue is printed on laid paper and the paper on which the note I saw is not. It also has no water mark as the 1789 issue has.

Sincerely yours,

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ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

June 11, 1969

Mr. Ralph Goldstone  
581 Boylston St.  
Boston, Mass. 02116

Dear Ralph:

Since you do not seem to be having much luck on the Virginia Colonial paper money, perhaps it would be best to return it.

With respect to your Allender scales, I had some counterweights made at a cost of \$5.60 each and I believe you need some for the scales you have on hand. Tell me how many you want as it makes the items much more appealing.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC  
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**RALPH GOLDSTONE**

PROFESSIONAL NUMISMATIST

581 BOYLSTON STREET, BOSTON, MASS. 02116

LIFE MEMBER A.N.A. &amp; C.N.A.



June 24 1969

Mr Eric P Newman  
6456 Reed Ave  
St Louis 5 Missouri

Dear Eric -

I regret very much for keeping the  
Virginia Colonial Note as long as I  
did. For that I can classify  
myself as a triple A stinker.

However I did sell the following -

7/7/55	\$5 (101203)	good	60.00
10/4/77	\$10 - (3545)	XF	40.00
10/5/78	\$5 - (522)	fine	30.00
10/10/80	\$200 - (5848)	fine	40.00
	\$400 - (5990)	VF	55.00 ✓
3/1/81	\$500 (9200)	XF	70.00 ✓
7/3/81	\$200 - (4949)	VF	52.50 ✓
"	\$500 - (3143)	VF	52.50 ✓

Continental			
4/12/78	60 (708800)	Fine	8.00
	\$60 - (7077)	Fine	8.00

Reed 64 pc

Sold 10 "

Enclosed 54 pc

Less 10% 416.00  
166.40

\$ 249.60

**RALPH GOLDSTONE**

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581 BOYLSTON STREET, BOSTON, MASS. 02116

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On Nov 7 1968 I sold you the following —

Lee's California Book	25.00
Allender Scale	50.00
Thompson's Coin Chart Manual	10.00
Scale - 1/4 Quarts & Halves	15.00
from 1860	
Mc Nally Scale	35.00
Eyes, Lost Counter Set	10.00
Set of 100	
Evans History of US Mint	10.00
1880s	
	<u>\$ 155.00</u>

Due you - Virginia Note 249.60

Items above sent to you 155.00

94.60

Net 6 - counterweight

In Allender Scale @ 5.00 33.60

\$ 128.20

My Check encloses for  
I look forward to seeing you in Philad.  
elphed (M.A.) and Thanks for every thing

Sincerely

Ralph

September 9, 1969

Mr. Ralph Goldstone

Dear Ralph,

Have you been able to appraise  
the book list I gave you at the  
convention?

Best regards.

Sincerely,

*From the desk of*  
ERIC P. NEWMAN

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

November 8, 1971

Mr. Ralph Goldstone  
581 Boylston St.,  
Boston, Mass. 02116

Dear Ralph:

I hope your wife's health situation will soon be improved. You both have had more than your share.

I have had quite a time with the Heaths. You know how complicated it is. I hope some people are interested in what I write up about them.

The material I took in Washington aggregated \$1374.00. I have to return 3 small Heaths because they duplicated others I already had of all variations. This reduces the amount due by \$105.00 to \$1269.00. There has been paid to you \$712.50 (\$517.50 plus \$195.00) leaving a balance of \$556.50 which is enclosed (\$60, \$45, \$70, \$125, \$256.50).

In the group sent by mail there were 7 large and 2 small Heaths. I have marked those which are complete with a slip inside the cover. They are one large 1866, two large 1866-67 and one small 1864. The others are missing parts. The large 1870 has no plates. The other large 1866 is short several plates.

The two other large 1866-67 I can use for combining and plating. Both have soiled and torn covers and have no counterfeits as was noted by you on their back page. There is a small 2nd edition missing the factional currency plates, the folded counterfeit and plates 15 and 16. I suggest \$75.00 for this group of three defectives. The other six I will return as I have identical ones.

I think I have gone overboard in collecting by cover color, cover content and internal variation, but that is what I am doing. If people had not torn out plates it would be much easier to be sure of internal content.

I think I have bought enough of your Heath books at nice prices so that you will accept my suggestion. Thus I have enclosed my check for \$75.00.

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

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Mr. Ralph Goldstone

November 8, 1971

The time I took to work on these ~~items~~ was most necessary. I appreciate the fact that you let us have your fine assembly of them and I hope you will like what I write about them. I presume I can use your name in an appreciation to those who helped.

Cordially yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC  
EDUCATION SOCIETY

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Mr. Ralph Goldstone  
581 Baylston St.  
Boston, Mass. 02116.  
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I think I have bought enough of your <sup>Heath</sup> books at nice prices so that you will accept my suggestion. Thus I have enclosed my check for \$75.00.

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Cordially yours



ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

June 5, 1972

Mr. Ralph Goldstone  
581 Boylston St.  
Boston, Mass. 02116

Dear Ralph:

I am sorry your health problems have delayed our correspondence but I was glad to hear from you.

To try to clean things up, I agree that the original group totaled \$1374. I sent \$1269 and was going to return 3 duplicate small Heaths at \$35 each to clear that balance up. When I did not hear from you I tried to sell them for you and I did sell 2. I enclose two checks for \$35.00 each and will either return the one remaining or if you feel I agreed to buy all of the first group, then I will buy the last one and sell it to someone else. Let me know your wishes.

The second group of Heaths, as you know, consists of those in poor condition or with defects. You did not quote the \$400 price on these until well after I received them.

Here is the situation:

There are 2 small Heaths. One has plates missing and the other has a wrecked cover. There are 7 large Heaths, only 3 of which are complete, but their covers are not nice. Of those which are not complete, there is one which has all of its plates stripped out and the others have major plates missing. None of the defective ones has the \$100 counterfeit plate. I will still try to get you \$400 for the group if you give me further time. I have a dealer friend who, I think, wants a large one now. I will pay you as I sell them. I sent you \$75 for the 3 defective ones, 2 large, and 1 small, so I can just bind them and use their sheets to repair others I had.

You sent the check back, but I think you should keep it and so I am sending it to you again. It is a perfectly fair offer. If I can get \$90 each for the 3 complete ones, then all I have to get out of the remaining small one and the one large one is \$55 in the aggregate. The one with all the plates stripped out is worthless and I am not counting it. I believe you will agree that arrangement is completely fair.

I plan to go to New Orleans, in August, and will see you there. I am one of the speakers on the Educational Forum so I will have to work up my material.

I am continuing to do research on the Heath books and it is indeed a pleasure.

My very best to you.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

June 23, 1972

Mr. Ralph Goldstone  
581 Boylston St.  
Boston, Mass. 02116

Dear Ralph:

Enclosed is a check for \$125.00 on account of a  
big Heath and a little Heath sold out of the remaining group.

I am still working diligently on disposing of the  
others.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

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August 21, 1972

## MEMORANDUM

TO Mr. Ralph Goldstone

FROM Eric P. Newman

Dear Ralph:

Enclosed is \$90 for one additional large Heath.

This gives you \$290 out of the \$400.00.

Sincerely,

*Eric*

epn/atb

*You sold another in New Orleans  
for \$85. Harry Bass has another on  
approval for \$60*

September 13, 1972

MEMORANDUM

TO Mr. Ralph Goldstone

FROM Eric P. Newman

Dear Ralph:

In New Orleans I turned over to you \$90 for one additional large Heath. At the bourse you sold another large Heath for \$85 from the group. This gives you \$375 out of the \$400 you wanted. If Harry Bass sends you a large Heath in poor condition or a check for it please let me know.

I owe you \$60 for four embossed cards.

Kindest regards, and thanks.

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**RALPH GOLDSTONE** ✓

PROFESSIONAL NUMISMATIST

581 BOYLSTON STREET, BOSTON, MASS. 02116

LIFE MEMBER A.N.A. & C.N.A.



May 19 1974

Mr Eric P Newman Inc  
Edison Brothers Store,<sup>↑</sup>  
PO Box 14020  
St Louis Mo 63178

Dear Eric

Time goes quickly and sometimes  
records are overlooked.

I have a memo charge of \$ 60.00  
for 4 very nice embossed store cards  
which I sold you on Aug 16 1972  
at New Orleans A.N.A. I gave  
these to you at my cost and below cost  
when I arrived home. I was  
hospitalized and had a double  
infarction and was out of action  
for 4 months. I last saw you  
at the Boston A.N.A. last year  
I haven't been able to cope with  
my records and no doubt you

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Forgot about this.  
I would appreciate hearing from  
you. Kindest regards.

Sincerely

Ralph Goldstone

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

June 12, 1974

Mr. Ralph Goldstone  
581 Boylston Street  
Boston, Mass. 02116

Dear Ralph:

I thought I had taken care of the store cards matter as it did not register as an open matter in the back of my head.

In any event, I have a Heath left over from your group which I believe is only missing Plate 12. I am sending it to you under separate cover as I have no particular use for it. Why don't you take this and call everything even. I hope to see you in Miami if not before.

I hope your health is restored as your handwriting looks vigorous as always.

Kindest personal regards,

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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